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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT FOLLOW-UP: PORT HARCOURT INFRASTRUCTURE

1. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, FMG DECIDED IN 1977 TO LUMP DEVELOPMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WOULD BE NECESSITATED BY SEVERAL INDUSTRIAL POJECTS PLANNED FOR PORT HARCOURT -- FERTILIZER, PETROCHEMICALS, AND DIRECT REDUCTION STEEL MILL -- INTO A SINGLE SEPARATE CONTRACT. WHILE DIRECT REDUCTION STEEL MILL PLANNED FOR PORT HARCOURT HAS BEEN DEFERRED INDEFINITELY, CONCEPT OF COMBINED INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT REMAINS.

2. EMBASSY PETROLOFF WAS INFORMED BY S.A. ADEYEYE OF MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIES IN MID-MARCH THAT SEVERAL FIRMS WERE ON PRE-QUALIFIED LIST TO DO INITIAL FEASIBILITY STUDY OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT AND HAD BEEN INVITED TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS. FIRMS WERE PLANNING RESEARCH OF USA, DASHTCONSULT AND SPEER PLANGRAF OF WEST GERMANY WHILE ARKITEKTER OF SWEDEN, SOFRASID OF FRANCE, AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS OF NIGERIA. (SPEERPLANGRAF AND SOFRASID ARE ALSO WORKING IN NIGERIA IN CONNECTION WITH AJAOKUTA STEEL MILL.. ADEYEYE DID NOT KNOW IF URBAN DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS HAD FOREIGN PARTNER. ADEYEYE SAID HE ESTIMATED DECISION ON FEASIBILITY STUDY PROPOSALS WOULD BE MADE IN APRIL. WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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